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The Cross Family

There is much uncertainty as to the name of the first member of our branch of the Cross Family to set foot on American soil. Some genealogists claim that our ancestry can be traced back to Robert Cross, who was born in England, June 26, 1613, and who arrived in America on the "Mary and John" in 1634, settling at Ipswich, Massachusetts. Others maintain that it is to be traced back to William Cross, probably born in Ghent, Belgium, who later went to London, England, and then came to America, it is said, in 1624.

Mrs. Florida Eunice Lawrence of Palmyra, New York, to whom I am indebted for much of the material concerning our ancestry prior to the 19th century, has spent thirty odd years in checking over the records. She is inclined to agree with the former group, although preferring to start the genealogy of our family with Peter Cross, born in 1653. She states that Cutter, "who wrote a history of early New England, says that Robert Cross had a son Peter, born in 1653." I have not been able to check this source of information, the volume not being available. On the other hand, Mrs. Mae R. Perkins, of Detroit, Michigan, who is at work on a Cross genealogy (to whom I am also indebted for much data), as well as others who have worked in this field are of the opinion that our line is not related to Robert Cross. In support of this position the latter group points to the fact that the name "Peter" is not found in the first five generations of the descendants of Robert Cross, while it is a very favorite name among the descendants of William Cross. I am rather inclined to believe that the genealogists of the latter group have the better grounds for their point of view.

William Cross of Ghent, Belgium, London, England, and of Wethersfield, Windsor and Fairfield, Conn., was the first of the name to arrive in America. (Genealogical and Family History of the State of Connecticut, p. 2122.)

The Cross Family in America

There is a tradition in every branch of our family that it was originally French Huguenot and that the name was De La Croix. At the beginning William Cross spelled his name "Crosse" and sometimes "La Crosse."

In Vol. 47 "New England Historical and Genealogical Register," page 420, is a copy of the probate of the will of Johannus De Peister of London, England, but formerly of Ghent, Belgium, which shows that William Crosse of London was his father-in-law and that Josias and Peter Crosse were the sons of William. This Johannus De Peister died in London, December 5th, 1638.

The De Peisters were for several generations very exclusive, always marrying French Huguenots, and usually going back to Holland for that purpose. They were originally of noble rank in France and were seated at Rouen, from which they were driven by the Massacre of St. Bartholomew, which commenced in Paris, August 24, 1572, and soon extended to Rouen.

This exclusiveness of the De Peister Family leads to the conclusion that William Crosse and his sons, Josias and Peter Crosse, who were made executors of the will of Johannus De Peister, must have been of like rank, faith, and

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nationality. This, coupled with the above tradition, appears to justify the conclusion that the Cross Family belonged to the De La Croix Family of Rouen. This family, as appears from the history of the Huguenots in France, was prominent, one of its number being a Minister, who sat in the Ecclesiastical Council of La Rochelle.

William Cross served in the Pequot War, being one of the soldiers who went out from Wethersfield, Connecticut. Memorial History of Hartford, Vol. I, p. 435.) He was early at Windsor and a landowner at Wethersfield. He died in Fairfield, Connecticut, about 1655. He first married a Miss Okes, a sister of Robert Okes, the latter having married Agathie Cross, a sister of William Cross. His second marriage was to Alice Simpson. The children of William Cross were as follows:

1. Thomas, born in England.
2. Elinor, born in England, married Jonas De Peister in England.
- *3. Peter, born in England in 1653, married Mary De Peister.
4. Samuel, born in England, married Elizabeth Chapman.
5. John, born in London, England, February 1623, married Margaret Wright.
6. Nathaniel, born in London, England.
7. Josias, born in London, England, married Rachel Desing.

Peter Cross (I), the son of William Cross, was apparently an adult when he came to America with his father. He married Mary De Peister, and died in 1659. To them two children were born:

- *1. Peter (II), born June 3, 1650, in Windsor, Connecticut.
2. Mary, born June 3, 1659.

Peter Cross (II) was born in Windsor, Connecticut, June 3, 1650, and died April 9, 1739. He was twice married: first to Mary Crane of Mansfield, Connecticut, about 1678 and probably in Norwich, Connecticut; and second, to Mary Wade of Mansfield, Connecticut.

Peter Cross (II) resided in Norwich, Connecticut, in 1672, and was there in 1696. He was among the first settlers of Windham, Connecticut, in 1690, going there from Norwich, and was among the grantees of land in that place, authorized to organize the town in association with Jonathan Crane and others. The fact that his name appears first in this grant indicates that he was a man of standing and this is further attested by the fact that he stood at the head of the company which was authorized to and did organize the town of Mansfield, Connecticut, from territory belonging to Windham in 1693.

Note: The mark () designates our line of descent.

The general court appointed him one of the administrators of the Wade estate. In 1698 he was leading citizen of Windham and the head of a body engaged in building a home for the minister. He purchased a thousand acres in Windham, December 20, 1693. He located in what is now Mansfield, and his home lot was #16 at the Ponds. He settled in the southern part of Mansfield, which is now the center, and later removed to North Parish. He was one of the twenty-two original freemen of Windham, May 30, 1693, and was probably a member of the Windham Church with his wife. The names of several of the original members on the church records are illegible. His estate was distributed in 1749.

The first wife of Peter Cross (II) bore the baptismal name **Mary** (Town and Church Records of Mansfield, Connecticut, by Susan Demock, p. 313, pub. 1898, gives the name in full as Mary Crane). Mary Crane Cross died December 9, 1695, in childbirth. Children of Peter Cross (II) and Mary Crane:

1. Mary, born April 20, 1679, at Norwich.
- *2. Stephen, born May 15, 1681, at Norwich (Hinman's Early Puritan Settlers of Connecticut, p. 762), married Mary Fuller, a daughter of Jonathan Fuller.
3. Elizabeth, born June 14, 1683, married April 8, 1702, John Arnold, born Newark, died 1745 (?). (History of the Ancient Town of Norwich, by M. E. Perkins, pub. 1895.)
4. Peter (III), born Nov. 8, 1685, married Dorothy Royce, March 30, 1719, daughter of John Royce. (Town and Church Records of Mansfield, Connecticut, by Susan Demock, pub. 1898, p. 226.)
5. Daniel, born March 8, 1688, married Desire -----, Nov. 5, 1712. (Gen. & P. M. Mass., by Cutter, pub. 1910, p. 2422.)
6. Experience, born Dec. 1, 1691, married, and lived in Oxford in 1772.
7. Abigail, born June 23, 1694, married John Crane. (New Eng. Hist. & Gen. Rec., pp. 77-127.)
8. Mary, born December 9, 1695, died same day.

Children of Peter Cross (II) and Mary Wade.

9. Mary, born December 1697, married John Crane, son of Jonathan Crane. (Gen. C. N. Y. p. 1570.)
10. Wade, born December 15, 1699, died 1773.
11. John, born 1700-1, married Patience Fuller, daughter of David Fuller of Coventry, May 9, 1722. (Town and Church Records of Mansfield, Connecticut, by Susan Demock.)
12. Benjamin, born about 1702-3, married Mary Fuller, probably a sister of Patience Fuller.

Stephen Cross, born May 15, 1681, at Norwich, Connecticut, married Mary Fuller on November 30, 1703, at Mansfield, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Jonathan Fuller of Mansfield, Connecticut, who was the son of Robert Fuller of Salem, and Rehoboth, Massachusetts, and Elizabeth Wilmarth Fuller. To Stephen Cross and Mary Fuller Cross were born the following children:
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1. Stephen, born October 20, 1704.
2. Jonathan, born July 18, 1706, married Lydia Hall, daughter of Isaac Hall.
3. Noah, born April 5, 1708, died 1713.
4. Betty, born 1709-10.
5. Ebenezer, born Jan. 18, 1711-12.
6. A son, born Oct. 20, 1714, died Nov. 20, 1714.
- *7. Peter, born April 16, 1716, married Mary Fuller, daughter of Jonathan Fuller of Attlebury, Massachusetts (who was a son of Jonathan Fuller of Mansfield, Connecticut) on May 27 or June 23, 1736.
8. Mary, born April 15, 1718.
9. Noah, born April 17, 1720, married Mary Chamberlain, daughter of Edmond Chamberlain, January 10, 1737.
10. Mary, born August 17, 1722.
11. Hannah, born July 1, 1723.
12. John, born July 10, 1726.

Peter Cross (III) was born April 16, 1716 and married Mary Fuller, (born April 16, 1716; died, Jan. 8, 1739 or 1740), daughter of Jonathan Fuller of Attlebury, Massachusetts, on May 27 or June 23, 1736, at Coventry, Connecticut. Mary Fuller died Jan. 8, 1739 or 1740. Jonathan Fuller of Attlebury, Massachusetts, was a son of Jonathan Fuller of Mansfield, Connecticut. Peter Cross (III) was an early settler at Ashfield, Massachusetts, and was selectman in 1777. In 1790, according to the United States Census of 1790, he was living at that place with his family. He was called Ensign. (Hinman, Early Puritan Settlers of Connecticut, p. 762.) On October 2, 1740, it is said that Peter Cross (III) married another Mary Fuller, probably a cousin of his first wife.

To Peter Cross (III) and his first wife were born the following children:

1. Daughter, unnamed, born April 10, 1737, at Mansfield, Connecticut, died April 29, 1737.
2. Elizabeth, born June 18, 1739, at Mansfield, Connecticut.

To Peter Cross (III) and his second wife the following children were born:

3. Ellither, born March 27, 1742, at Coventry, Connecticut.
4. Aaron, born September 6, 1743, at Coventry, Connecticut.
- *5. Benjamin, born 1745 in Massachusetts, died 1813. One genealogist states that he was born at Coventry, Connecticut, October 2, 1740.
6. Steven, born 1747-8 in Massachusetts.
7. John.
8. Peter, born December 17, 1756, in Massachusetts or in Windsor, Connecticut.
9. Mary, born June 3, 1759, in Massachusetts, or in Windsor, Connecticut.

Benjamin Cross, born either October 2, 1740, or in 1745, either in Massachusetts or in Coventry, Connecticut, was a physician, served in the Revolutionary War as a private in Captain Zachariah Beal's Company, Colonel Alex Schannel's Regiment, 1775-1780, and died in Edinburgh, N. Y., in 1812 or 1813. He is known to have purchased land at Shaftsbury, Vermont, in 1792. He was married first to Charity Lindsey at Stafford, Connecticut, on October 1, 1765, and second to Mary Ransom. To Dr. Benjamin Cross and Charity Lindsey Cross were born the following children:

- *1. Benjamin, born 1767.
- 2. Erastus, who became a doctor, born May 31, 1768, died April 17, 1849.
- 3. Asa, who became a doctor.
- 4. Darius, who became a minister, born 1776, died 1863.
- 5. Ira Stephen (born about 1786 or 1787, died 1858), became a doctor; married Fannie Chase (born January 26, 1792, died 1862), the daughter of James and Olive Chase; settled in Floyd, New York, and later lived at Bennington, New York.
- 6. Lydia.
- 7. Phebe.
- 8. Charity.

Benjamin Cross (II), born 1767, married Eunice Davis at Conway, Massachusetts, in September, 1787. To them were born the following children:

- *1. Erastus, born December 16, 1791, died 1848.
- 2. Benjamin.
- 3. Elias, died August 31, 1824.
- 4. Ira.
- 5. Phebe.
- 6. James.
- 7. Fannie, died in childhood.
- 8. Henry W., born February 28, 1807.
- 9. Charles, died in El Paso, Texas.

Erastus Cross was born December 16, 1791, at Ballston Spa, New York, and died at Utica, New York, November 29, 1848. M. M. Bagg in his "The Pioneers of Utica," p. 307, states that Erastus Cross came from Vermont to Utica, New York, where in 1811 he was an agent for an eastern firm engaged in selling tombstones. In 1812 he established his own marble and stonecutting business at the corner of Liberty and Genessee Streets. He later moved to Bleeker Street, Hotel Street and other places. He was at times a partner of a Mr. Danforth and of a Mr. Josbin. He was engaged to erect the first monument to Baron Von Steuben in Utica, only lately replaced by a larger one. Many of the fine pieces of monument work erected in and near Utica, New York, were the work of Erastus Cross and his sons, Erastus Edwin Cross and Columbus Cross. He also owned a grocery store. He married Anne Evans, of Marcy, New York, on August 21, 1812. Anne Evans was born March 14, 1795 and died in 1852. I am led to believe that she was the daughter of Welsh immigrants. To Erastus Cross and Anne Evans Cross were born the following children:

1. Eunice, born June 1, 1813.
2. Elizabeth Anne, born January 5, 1815, died April 14, 1865.
3. Angeline, born August 12, 1816.
4. John Wesley, born April 17, 1818, died 1854-55, near Oakley, Illinois.
5. Charlotte, born September 12, 1819, died September 28, 1820.
6. Margaret, born August 25, 1821.
- *7. Erastus Edwin, born October 29, 1822, died July 1, 1901.
8. Columbus, born May 17, 1825, died March 13, 1899.
9. Egbert, born December 2, 1826, died March 21, 1840.
10. Canova, born May 15, 1828, died March 6, 1830.
11. Alexander, born June 6, 1830, died March 16, 1832.
12. Horace David, born July 22, 1832.
13. Michael Angelo, born 1834, died 1834.

Erastus Edwin Cross

Erastus Edwin Cross was born at Utica, New York, on October 29, 1822. As a young lad he went to live with his uncle and aunt, Dr. Ira Cross and Fannie Cross at Bennington or Bennington Center, New York. He later returned to his father's roof, for in the Utica, New York, Directory of 1845-46 he and his brother Columbus are listed as being engaged in the stone and marble cutting business with their father, Erastus Cross, Sr. On July 5, 1847, Erastus Edwin Cross married Harriet Bradford (born March 8, 1830, died June 6, 1865), who was a descendant of Governor William Bradford of Plymouth Colony.

Erastus Edwin Cross and wife journeyed West, finally settling near Oakley, Illinois, in 1847. Besides engaging in farming, Erastus Edwin Cross also carried on the trade of a stonecutter, although after the 60's he confined his activities solely to farming, and settled on what later became the old family place near Oakley, Illinois. He died on July 1, 1901. To Erastus Edwin Cross and Harriet Bradford Cross the following children were born:

Bradford (born August 8, 1849), Edwin (died in infancy), Harriet (born December 8, 1856), Carrie (born September 25, 1853, died February 19, 1930), Erastus (born March 15, 1860, died December 14, 1925), and Martha (born May 31, 1865, died December 7, 1900). Erastus Edwin Cross married a second time to Nancy Jane Hoots, on December 8, 1865, but to this union no children were born. Nancy Jane Hoots Cross died at Cerro Gordo, Illinois, August 21, 1931.

Descendants of Erastus E. Cross and Harriet Bradford Cross

1. Bradford Cross married Orietta Clemmons on July 21, 1872, and to them three children were born: Eva, (born April 4, 1873, near Oakley, Illinois, died September 22, 1918 at Moline, Illinois), Fannie (born January 1, 1876 at Decatur, Illinois, died April 17, 1910 near South Haven, Michigan), and Ira Brown, (born December 1, 1880 at Decatur, Illinois). Fannie Cross and Ira B. Cross were named after Dr. Ira Cross and his wife, Fannie, with whom their grandfather, Erastus Edwin Cross, lived for a time during his youth.

As a young man, Bradford Cross worked on his father's farm, taught school and later learned the trade of a stonecutter. He then set himself up in business with John deFreitas at Decatur, Illinois, as a stonecutter and monument builder. He was forced to give up his trade in a few years because of eye trouble caused by the marble dust and became an employee in Spencer and Lehman's implement store in Decatur. While so engaged he invented a new type of plow, and was made a member of the staff of the John Deere Plow Company at Moline, Illinois, as inventor and plow expert. He remained with them until 1901, when he went to Canton, Illinois, to serve in the same capacity with the Parlin and Orendorff Company. After being with that firm for one year he retired to a farm at South Haven, Michigan, where he lived until 1915, journeying west to Berkeley, California, where his son, Ira B. Cross resided. In 1916 he moved to Winters, California, to cultivate a small piece of land in his declining years. His wife, Orietta Cross, died February 24, 1930, and on April 29, 1931, at the age of 81, he married Mrs. E. Van Kirk, of Winters, California.

Eva Cross married Henry Swim at Moline, Illinois, August 8, 1894, and to them a son, Paul, was born February 17, 1906, at Berkeley, California.

Ira Brown Cross married Blanche Julia Mobley at Vallejo, California, July 14, 1911, and to them two sons were born: Ira Brown, Jr. on September 9, 1912, at Palo Alto, California, and Carleton Parker, on August 30, 1919, at Berkeley, California.

Biographical note on Ira B. Cross

Ira B. Cross was born at Decatur, Illinois, December 1, 1880. He graduated from the high school of Moline, Illinois in 1899, after which he worked for two years in John Deere Plow Factory to obtain funds with which to attend college. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1905, with the degree of A. B., and remained for another year, obtaining the degree of M. A., in 1906. He then went to Stanford as an assistant in the Department of Economics in 1906, and received his Ph.D. from Stanford in 1909. He remained at Stanford on the faculty from 1909 to 1914, when he was called to the Economics Department at the University of California, where he is now Professor of Economics. (Address, 1454 LeRoy Ave., Berkeley, California.)

Dr. Cross has served as an agent of the Wisconsin State Bureau of Labor Statistics, Wisconsin Tax Commission, Carnegie Peace Foundation, United States Immigration Commission, and the United States Industrial Relations Commission. He was Secretary of the Industrial Accident Commission of California during 1913-14.

During the World War, Dr. Cross was a Four Minute Man, and also under the direction of the War Industries Board gave a six weeks' course at the University of California on matters of labor management to thirty personnel or employment managers, who in turn represented the employers of over 40,000 men engaged in war industries. The United States Shipping Board and the Emergency Fleet Corporation also used his services during the World War.

Dr. Cross is a member of the American Association of Labor Legislation and the American Economic Association, as well as of a number of honorary educational societies, among which are Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Gamma Sigma, Delta Sigma Rho, Pan Xenia, and Artus. In 1926 he served as vice-president of the American Economic Association, and in 1928 as president of the Pacific Coast Economic Association. He is an honorary member of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, the San Francisco Commercial Club, and the State Building Trades Council of California.

He is the author of "Co-operative Stores in the United States," "Essentials of Socialism," "Collective Bargaining in San Francisco," "Domestic and Foreign Exchange," a two-volume work on "The History of Banking in California," "Money and Banking," "Elementary Economics," and "Frank Roney, Irish Rebel and California Labor Leader." He served as editorial writer on the Coast Banker during 1915-16.

Dr. Cross was instructor for Oakland Chapter, American Institute of Banking, in 1914, but since that time has been on the staff of San Francisco Chapter, although occasionally conducting classes in Stockton and in Fresno. In 1923 he was made Dean of the Faculty of San Francisco Chapter, and in 1927 was appointed a member of the National Board of Regents of the American Institute of Banking.

2. Harriet Cross married William Holland (born May 6, 1855, died July 27, 1930) on July 22, 1882. To this union the following children were born:

1. Harvey W. (born October 7, 1882)
2. Elmer G. (born October 17, 1884, died August 28, 1886)
3. Myrtle E. (born May 15, 1887)
4. Etta E. (born September 23, 1889, died July 15, 1931)
5. Ellen L. (born December 11, 1894)
6. Rozena M. (born June 16, 1898)

Harvey W. Holland married Sophia Elizabeth Deffenbaugh (born October 23, 1880) at Decatur, Illinois, on November 22, 1905. To them a son, Eli Hugh Nelson, was born on July 11, 1907. Eli Hugh Nelson Holland married Annabelle Carroll (born November 12, 1911) on December 8, 1928.

Myrtle E. Holland married Benjamin F. Pierson (born June 6, 1875, died January 23, 1930) at Decatur, Illinois, on January 11, 1913. To them two children were born:

1. James William (born February 11, 1914, died February 11, 1915)
2. Pauline O. (born May 20, 1916)

Myrtle E. Holland Pierson married Claude C. Sharp (born June 24, 1882) on November 19, 1923.

Etta E. Holland married her cousin, Grover Leroy Corey, at Louisville, Kentucky, on December 4, 1909. They were later divorced, and she then married Albert E. Forbes (born February 25, 1880) at Terre Haute, Indiana, on September 22, 1924.

Ellen L. Holland married Grover C. Burke (born August 31, 1893) at Monticello, Illinois, on September 28, 1913.

Rozena May Holland married Clarence E. Nugent (born October 13, 1895) at Chicago, Illinois, on July 7, 1924.

3. Carrie Cross married Asher Wilford Corey on September 15, 1872. Asher Wilford Corey was born February 14, 1852 in Marion County, Ohio, and died June 14, 1908 at Medford Oregon. Five children were born to Asher W. Corey and Carrie Cross Corey. They were:

1. Lillian May, born November 3, 1873 at Decatur, Illinois
2. Anna Edith, born May 6, 1880, near Salem, Illinois
3. Grover Leroy, born June 16, 1884, at Salem, Illinois
4. John Erastus, born November 20, 1886 at Salem, Illinois
5. Asher Franklin, born March 21, 1894, at Salem, Illinois

Lillian May Corey married Asa M. Arrington in February, 1891, but obtained a divorce from him on May 4, 1903. To them one child, Gilbert Edwin, was born on January 18, 1892. Lillian May Corey married Lewis R. DeHaven in 1907 (born June 16, 1866) who died in San Francisco on January 18, 1921. She married Charles Shirey (born March 28, 1873 in Wheeling, West Virginia) in San Francisco, on February 16, 1924, and moved to Palo Alto, California.

Anna Edith Corey married Lester Sweet (born November 26, 1880, at Minnesota City, Minn.) on June 20, 1906. They adopted Edith Corey, daughter of Asher Franklin Corey, on November 18, 1922.

Grover Leroy Corey married his cousin, Etta Edith Holland, at Decatur, Illinois, on December 4, 1909. They had no children. They were later divorced, and Grover Leroy Corey married Jessie.....(?) who died in Springfield, Illinois, on October 30, 1925. No children were born to this latter union.

John Erastus Corey was married to Ethel M. McKinstry at Seattle in the fall of 1910. A daughter, Eleanor Lucretia Corey, was born in Seattle, December 12, 1912.

Asher Franklin Corey was married to Gertrude Moore on June 30, 1914, and was divorced in November, 1922. Gertrude Moore Corey died in July, 1925. Three children were born to them: Edith Corey, born March 15, 1916 at Seattle, Washington, was adopted by her aunt and uncle, Lester Sweet and Anna Corey Sweet, on November 18, 1922. Wilford Edward Corey was born in Seattle, Washington, on May 13, 1918. Doris Corey was born in Seattle, Washington, on March 13, 1920, and adopted by Edward Moore of Oakland, California, in August, 1925. Asher Franklin Corey was married a second time, the second wife being Gladys Irene Hale, the marriage taking place on November 13, 1923. Gladys Irene Hale Corey was born at Dewey, Washington, in 1904. Two children were born to this union: Wayne Corey, born August 7, 1924 at Roche Harbor, Washington, and Frances Irene Corey, born May 23, 1927 at Bellingham, Washington.

Gilbert Edwin Arrington, son of Lillian May Corey and Asa M. Arrington, was born January 18, 1892 at Odin, Illinois. When Lillian May Corey married Lewis DeHaven in 1907, the son was adopted by the latter and the name changed to Gilbert Edward DeHaven. Gilbert E. DeHaven married Mabel Erenesteen Sobey (born in San Francisco, California, July 26, 1890) on April 27, 1913, and to them two children were born:

1. Gilbert Ross DeHaven, born in San Francisco on November 21, 1915
2. Pearl Eileen DeHaven, born in Redwood City, California, on June 27, 1924.

4. Erastus Cross married Sarah Frances Durham (born June 15, 1860 in Piatt County, Illinois, died July 28, 1920) on October 23, 1884. To them three children were born:

1. Waldo (born March 9, 1886, died January 16, 1929)
2. Wendel (born February 3, 1889)
3. Winnie (born December 21, 1890) all at Decatur, Illinois.

Waldo Cross married Nelle Frances Moore on September 17, 1911. Both were asphyxiated on January 16, 1929.

Wendel Cross married Marguerite Huddelson on January 27, 1917, and to them a son, Wendel Eugene, was born on April 30, 1918.

Winnie Cross married Earle C. Sweeney on March 22, 1913.

5. Martha Cross married William Hiser (born October 14, 1859) on November 5, 1885, and to them the following children were born:

1. Daisy A. (born August 26, 1886)
2. Carrie (born September 10, 1888, died January 10, 1906)
3. Homer (born April 29, 1891)
4. Wilma (born February 18, 1898)

Daisy Hiser married Roy R. Garver on December 21, 1907, who died March 17, 1909. One son, Roy H., was born to them on September 23, 1909, and married Florence Jennings on May 27, 1932. On November 22, 1919, Daisy Hiser married S. W. Ellis, born September 10, 1877. To this union were born:

1. Martha E. (March 2, 1921)
2. Mary F. (October 21, 1922)
3. Sarah C. (February 16, 1927, died May 18, 1932)

Homer Hiser married Sylvia Strong (born October 3, 1894) on January 24, 1914. To them were born Gerald H. (on July 27, 1915), Norma Jean (on June 28, 1923) and Ora Dean (on April 20, 1927; died April 21, 1927).

Wilma Hiser married Frank Helm (born January 26, 1893) on February 25, 1915. To them were born Dale (on March 15, 1916) and Lyle (on April 20, 1917).

The Bradford Family

Harriet Bradford, the wife of Erastus Edwin Cross, was a direct descendant of Governor William Bradford of the Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts, who came over in the Mayflower. The genealogy of the Bradford line in the United States and in Europe has been very clearly traced by many authorities. It is not necessary to present all of the facts in this place. Only our own line of descent will be given.

Governor William Bradford was born in Austerfield, Yorkshire, England, in 1588 and died at Plymouth, May 9, 1657. He was twice married. Our branch of the Bradford line is from his second wife, Alice Southworth, a daughter of Alexander Carpenter, and the widow of Edward Southworth. Governor Bradford and Alice Southworth were married August 14, 1623. She was born about 1590 and died March 26, 1670. Major William Bradford was their son.

Major William Bradford was born June 17, 1624 and died February 20, 1703-04. In 1627, he married Alice Richards, daughter of Thomas Richards of Weymouth; she died December 12, 1671. Lieutenant Samuel Bradford was their son.

Lieutenant Samuel Bradford was born in 1668 and died April 11, 1714. In July, 1689, he married Hannah Rogers (born 1668), the daughter of John and Elizabeth Rogers, the latter being the daughter of William Peabody. Capt. Gershom Bradford was their son.

Captain Gershom Bradford was born at Plymouth, December 21, 1691 and died at Kingston, April 4, 1757. He married a second cousin, Priscilla Wiswall, daughter of Rev. Ichabod Wiswall, of Duxbury. She was a direct descendant of John and Priscilla Alden. This line of descent has been definitely traced. Priscilla Wiswall was born in 1691 and died at Kingston in 1785. Alexander Bradford was their son.

Alexander Bradford was born October 26, 1726 and married Hannah Stanton, born in August, 1720, and died April 12, 1783. They had three children, Hannah, Rachel, and Alexander (II).

Alexander (II) was born at Stonington, Connecticut, March 3, 1761, and died July 28, 1827. On July 14, 1785, at Westerly, R. I., he married Lois Burdick Pendleton, daughter of Captain Benjamin Pendleton and Lois Burdick Pendleton of Westerly. Lois Burdick was the daughter of David and Mary Thompson Burdick, and was born at Westerly, R. I., March 8, 1766, died February 19, 1850. Both she and her husband are buried at Davis Landing, R. I. Their children were born at Pawcatuck in Stonington, Conn., and were as follows:

1. Lois Bradford, born April 16, 1786, married Joseph Vincent.
2. William S. Bradford, born May 7, 1788, died April 26, 1835, married Martha Dickens.

3. Hannah Bradford, born August 29, 1790; died April 26, 1813.
4. Lucy Bradford, born February 12, 1793, died September 4, 1832, married Peyton Randolph Randall.
5. Paul Pendleton Bradford, born July 14, 1795.
6. Charles Bradford, born January 5 or February 5, 1798; died January 23, 1861, at Westerly, R. I., married Catherine Thompson, daughter of John and Bridget (Berry) Thompson.
7. Lydia Cheesborough Bradford, born April, 1800, died December 26, 1864, married Thomas Hinckley Vincent, March 25, 1832.
8. Sarah or Sally Bradford, born July 17, 1802.
9. Alexander L. Bradford, born August 15, 1806, died August 4, 1847, married 1st Abby Ann----; 2nd, Eunice Crandall, December 20, 1840.

As noted above, William S. Bradford was born May 7, 1788, and died April 26, 1835. He married Martha Dickens, daughter of Captain Truston Dickens and wife Martha Wilcox Dickens. The latter was the daughter of Hezekiah Wilcox and Hannah Parker Wilcox. Captain Truston Dickens lived at New Shoreham or what is now Block Island, and that is probably the reason why the birth dates of the children of William S. Bradford and Martha Dickens Bradford, as well as the marriage records of the latter couple, are not found in Stonington, Conn. William S. Bradford, his wife, and children later came back to Stonington, Conn. Captain Dickens served fourteen months in the Revolutionary War. He died September 18, 1832, 71 years of age, and his wife died February 13, 1840, 79 years of age.

William S. Bradford and Martha Dickens Bradford had the following children:

1. Cornelia Bradford, born---, died---, married 1st---Wilcox; 2nd---Young of Providence, R. I.
2. Martha Bradford, born---, died---, married Albert Sisson of Westerly, R. I.
3. Betsy Bradford, born---, died---, married---Patten.
4. Hannah Bradford, born---, died---, married Nathan Bennett of North Stonington, Conn.
5. Lucy Bradford, born---, died---.
6. Lois Bradford, born---, died---, married John Gardner of Gorton, Conn., and had twin boys.
7. Jane Bradford, born---, died---, married Martin Van Buren Wheeler, son of Denison Wheeler and wife. Martin Van Buren Wheeler was born in Hartford, Conn. He married Jane Bradford at Westerly, R. I., on April 30, 1864.
8. Mary D. Bradford, born---, died---, married Morgan L. Seward and lived for a time at Peoria, Illinois.
9. Harriet Bradford, born March 8, 1830, died June 6, 1865, married Erastus Edwin Cross of Utica, N. Y., on July 5, 1847.
10. Jesse D. Bradford, born---, died, married Caroline E. Sawyer, January 13, 1841. At one time they lived at Baltimore, Md.

As stated above, Harriet Bradford was born March 8, 1830, died June 6, 1865, and married Erastus Edwin Cross of Utica, N. Y., July 5, 1847. To them were born the following children, all on the family farm near Oakley, Illinois:

1. Bradford Cross, (so named as to keep the Bradford name in the family. His mother was undoubtedly aware of her descent from the Bradfords of Plymouth Colony,) born August 8, 1849.
2. Edwin, died in infancy.
3. Harriet, born December 8, 1865, married William Holland.
4. Carrie, born September 25, 1853, died February 19, 1930, married Asher Wilford Corey.
5. Erastus, born March 15, 1860, died December 14, 1925, married Sarah Frances Durham.
6. Martha, born May 31, 1865, died December 7, 1900, married William Hiser.

The descendants of the children of Erastus Edwin Cross and Harriet Bradford Cross are given in that section of this volume which deals with the Cross Family.

In presenting the material concerning the Cross and Bradford Families, no attention has been given to the genealogy of any lines other than those of direct descent. Research on the side lines would undoubtedly yield interesting results. There are many of our ancestors who participated in the Indian Wars, the Revolutionary War, and the War of 1812. There are others than those already mentioned who came over in the Mayflower. Still others were early in the colonies. The Rogers and Peabody lines go back to the Mayflower and to British baronets. Possibly, someday, I may issue a supplementary volume giving additional information to the descendants of our branch of the Cross and Bradford Families regarding their ancestry.

The Clemmons Family

Benjamin L. F. Clemmons, my grandfather on my mother's side of the family, was born May 24, 1825, in Virginia. I know nothing of his ancestry. The United States Census of 1790 lists a Thomas Clemons (note spelling) as a resident of Sussex County, Virginia. Inasmuch as Benjamin L. F. Clemmons had a brother named "Thomas" it may be that the "Thomas Clemons" mentioned by the Census of 1790 was Benjamin's father. He also had a sister by the name of "Cassie" and another brother by the name of "William," the latter settled in Ohio. There were eight other children, whose names I do not know.

As a young man, Benjamin L. F. Clemmons went to Illinois and engaged in various frontier occupations. He was a lazy sort of individual, preferring to fish, hunt, and play the fiddle for country dances rather than to cultivate the land. As far back as I can remember, he lived near Oakley, Illinois, northeast of Decatur, Illinois. He died at Illiopolis, Illinois, on December 22, 1905, bequeathing to me his old fiddle, which I still possess. He first married Ellen Ann Havley (born July 9, 1838, died March 5, 1884) on July 7, 1853, and to them three children were born: Orietta (born September 25, 1854, died February 24, 1930), Marion Cortez (born January 19, 1857, died April 29, 1858), and Mary Adaline, (born May 5, 1859, died May 24, 1911).

Benjamin L. F. Clemmons was married a second time to Luticia Huffmire (September 14, 1884) and to this union no children were born.

Orietta Clemmons was married to Bradford Cross on July 21, 1872, and to them three children were born: Eva (born April 20, 1873, died September 22, 1918), Fannie (born January 15, 1876, died April 17, 1910) and Ira Brown (born December 1, 1880). Eva Cross married Henry Swim at Moline, Illinois, August 8, 1894, and to them a son, Paul, was born February 17, 1906 at Berkeley, California. Ira Brown Cross married Blanche Julia Mobley at Vallejo, California, on July 14, 1911, and to them two sons were born: Ira Brown, Jr. (born September 9, 1912 at Palo Alto, California) and Carleton Parker (born August 30, 1919, at Berkeley, California).

Mary Adaline Clemmons married William L. Montgomery at Decatur, Illinois, on December (?) 1886, and to them two children were born: Rose Robert (born April 8, 1888) and William Louis (born March 12, 1898).

The Havley Family

Michael Havley migrated to America from Germany some time during the eighteenth century, and settled in the northern part of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The family name was formerly Haverlick, Haverlich, or Haberly, and was changed to Havley or Havelly (pronounced Hāvley) some time after the family was established in this country. The United States Census of 1790 lists a Michael Havley as living in Manchester Township, York County, Pennsylvania; he was the father of four boys and two girls. The latter county is just across the river from Lancaster County. It is not known whether or not this Michael Havley is in our line of descent. We do know that our Michael Havley had two sons, viz., Melkiah and Adam.

Melkiah Havley had two children,--Captain John Havley and W. D. (I do not know what the initials W. D. stand for. The information was given me when I was a youngster in high school by LaFayette R. Havley, and I did not then realize the advisability of asking about such details.) W. D. Havley had a son, A. T. Havley, who resided in Kansas.

Adam Havley married a Miss Drake, who is said to have been a descendant of Anneke Jans and Rev. Everadus Bogardus; the second preacher in New Amsterdam (now New York City). Rev. Bogardus arrived at New Amsterdam on the ship Salt Mountain in April, 1633. He is described as "A person of violent temper, and enemies accused him of too great fondness for wine." (Memorial History of the City of New York, by James Grant Wilson, vol. I, p. 189). In about 1639 he married Anneke Jans, the widow of Roeloff Jansen or Jansz.

Anneke Jans (as the name was commonly written), her husband, Roeloff Jans, and three children, Sara, Catrina, and Fytje arrived in New Amsterdam on the ship Eendracht from Masterland (Maasland), Holland. Anneke (sometimes spelled Annetje) was the daughter of Tryntje Jonas, a nurse, who came to America either with her or shortly thereafter, and who was the first medical woman on Manhattan Island.

Roeloff Jans subsequently became the owner of a piece of ground on which Trinity Church and a part of the business section of New York now stands. When he died in 1636, he left that property to his wife and five children. In 1639 Anneke Jans married Rev. Everadus Bogardus, and to them were born four sons, Willem, Cornelis, Jonas, and Pieter. Rev. Bogardus died in a shipwreck off the coast of Wales in 1647. Anneke Jans Bogardus died at Beverwyck, New York, on March 19, 1663.

The Anneke Jans farm, known as the Bowery or Domine's Farm, was sold by the heirs of Anneke Jans to Governor Lovelace in 1671. It later came into the possession of the Crown of England, and by it was given to the parish of Trinity Church. It is said that one of the heirs (Cornelis Bogardus) did not join in the sale, and that fact was made the basis for several suits filed by subsequent heirs against Trinity Church. One suit was decided against the heirs in 1760 after it had been in the courts for twenty years. Two other suits were similarly decided, one in December, 1840, and another in December, 1847. It was in one of the latter suits that my great grandfather, Henry D. Havley, was one of many claimants to the property. I have not been able to trace the ancestry of Miss

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Drake, who married Adam Havley, to the Bogardus or Jans family. The line, however, must be clear, otherwise my great grandfather would not have been joined in that suit with other descendants of the Bogardus or Jans Family.

Adam Havley had five children, Raery, Samuel, Adam Jr., Jeremiah, and Henry D. The Pennsylvania Archives, vol. 26, pp. 91, 95, mention "Adam Haverly" as a landowner in Northampton County, Pa., on April 13, 1782, and on Feb. 14, 1791, respectively. The family name as noted above, was sometimes spelled "Haverly."

I have no record of the marriage of Raery Havley, the daughter. Adam Havley, Jr., married and had the following children: William, Hestra, Margaret, Frank, and Mary. Samuel married and had the following children: W. J., Hoobs, and Minor R. W. J. Havley married and had two daughters and a son, Otis. Minor R. Havley married and had a son, Samuel D.

Jeremiah Havley married his cousin, and had Willifred who settled in Michigan, Henry Harrison, who settled in Mississippi, and G. W., who settled in Illinois and had five children, names unknown.

Henry D. Havley was born December 24, 1811. He later became a colonel in the First Light Horse Cavalry of Ohio. He married a Sara McCormick (who had a brother William) whose parents had come from Ireland. When her parents died she went to live with relatives in Ohio, being seven years of age at the time.

To Henry D. Havley and Sara McCormick Havley the following children were born: Ellen Ann, Hester, Amanda (died young), LaFayette R., William M., Warner, and Frank.

I have some information concerning all of the children of Henry D. Havley, but deem it advisable first to present only that which relates to Ellen Ann Havley, my maternal grandmother.

Ellen Ann Havley, a daughter of Henry D. Havley, was born July 9, 1838, and died March 5, 1884. She married Benjamin L. F. Clemmons on July 7, 1853. They lived near Oakley, Illinois. To this union three children were born: Orietta (born September 25, 1854, died February 24, 1930), Marion Cortez (born January 19, 1857, died April 29, 1858), and Mary Adaline (born May 5, 1859, died May 24, 1911).

Orietta Clemmons married Bradford Cross on July 21, 1872, and to them three children were born: Eva (born April 20, 1873, near Oakley, Illinois, died September 22, 1918 at Moline, Illinois), Fannie (born January 15, 1876, at Decatur, Illinois, died April 17, 1910, at South Haven, Michigan), and Ira Brown (born December 1, 1880 at Decatur, Illinois. Eva Cross married Henry Swim at Moline, Illinois, August 8, 1894, and to them a son, Paul, was born on February 17, 1906, at Berkeley, California. Ira Brown Cross married Blanche Julia Mobley on July 14, 1911, at Vallejo, California. To them two sons were born, Ira Brown, Jr., (born September 9, 1912 at Palo Alto, California) and Carleton Parker, (born August 30, 1919, at Berkeley, California).

Mary Adaline Clemmons married William L. Montgomery at Decatur, Illinois on December (?) 1886, and to them two children were born: Rose Robert (born April 8, 1888), and William Louis, (born March 12, 1898).

Data relative to other descendants of Henry D. Havley.

Amanda Havley died young. Warner Havley died in the Army during the Civil War. I do not know whether or not Hester or William M. Havley were married or when they died. Frank Havley married and had two daughters, Nora and Cora, and three other children. LaFayette R. Havley married and had the following children: Sarah Ellen, E. W., J. M., H. D., W. R., C. K., Enix, and Barnes. (Again, may I say that I am sorry that at the time this information was given me by LaFayette Havley I did not realize the importance of obtaining more detailed information relative to what these initials stood for.) E. W. Havley had three children, names unknown: J. M. Havley had two sons, names unknown; H. D. Havley had four children; Enix Havley had two daughters; and Barnes Havley had one son.

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The Mobley Family

Mordecai Mobley, the first Mobley in our line, of whom we have any definite record, was born February 5, 1763, and died October 12, 1838. I do not know where he was born, but presumably in Pennsylvania. It is said that his ancestry can be traced back to William Moberley or Mobley (a son of Sir William Moberly of England) who is reputed to have come to America with William Penn in 1692. It is also said that William Moberley or Mobley married Phoebe Lovejoy, the governess of Penn's children, who was also on board the ship. The names of William Moberley or Mobley and of Phoebe Lovejoy do not appear in the list of names of those who embarked with Penn on the "Welcome." Penn made several trips, and they may have come over on a later boat. So far as I know, the line of descent has not been definitely established. It is said that William Mobley was eighteen years of age when he arrived in America, having run away from home following a quarrel with his father. Two years later he moved to a point in Maryland near what was formerly called Point Tobacco. To him and his wife were born seven or eight sons. There is said to be no record of any daughters. Four of the sons moved south from Maryland. It is said that some of the descendants of William Mobley lived at Frederick, Md. The 1790 United States Census lists a Lewis Mobley as living in Frederick County, Md., and two William Mobleys as living in Montgomery County, Md.

Mordecai Mobley married Elizabeth Brown (born November 16, 1767, died July 28, 1833). To them a son, John, was born on February 5, 1790, died September 15, 1842. John Mobley married Ruth Elder Davage, daughter of Elijah and Mary Davage. She was born March 10, 1796, and died April 6, 1883.

To John and Ruth Mobley the following children were born:

1. Elizabeth A. (born November 22, 1815, died March 14, 1897), who married Rastus Dunn and moved to Iowa. Among their children were Mary Dunn and Nannie Dunn.
2. Jesse R. (born March 18, 1818, died November 24, 1895) was married, but the name of his wife is unknown. Among his children were John, Elijah, James, Thomas, Daniel, Philip, and Charles.
3. Alameda (born April 5, 1820, died May 19, 1893) married John Taylor and moved to Iowa at about the same time that the Dunns did. No records of their children are available.
4. Lucretia (born November 17, 1821, date of death unknown) married Thomas Lee and moved to Iowa. There are no records of their children.
5. John Henry (born October 19, 1823; died August 8, 1897) married Mary Burke. Their children were Lyman, Emma, Randolph, Theodore, Ella, William, and others unknown.
6. Mahala (born January 19, 1826, died May 25, 1912 at Kokomo, Ind.) married William Fix. Their children were Sarah Catherine, John Wesley, Laura, Josephine, and Geneva.
7. Sarah (born January 21, 1828, died February 18, 1909) was married three times, first to a Fix, then to a Chrisler, and finally to a Flora. The children's names, as remembered by Darius A. Mobley, were Mary and Alice by the first husband, Meta by the second, and Jennie, William, and one or two others by the third.

8. Lewis (born January 19, 1830, died January 23, 1902) married Julia Anna Rhorer (born June 19, 1832, died May 31, 1911). To them the following children were born: Darius Arrelian, (born April 2, 1855, died December 10, 1929), Laura Josephine, (born August 6, 1857), Luanna Jane, (born March 25, 1859, died....), Alta Florence, (born September 7, 1862), Minnie May, (born October 13, 1865), John Orion, (born April 22, 1868, died.....), Mertie E. (born July 14, 1871), Lewis Dana (born March 3, 1874), and Lyda Blanche (born December 1, 1879).
9. Reason D. (born December 11, 1831, died September (?) 1904) was married, but the names of his wife and their children are not known. The United States Census of 1790 lists a "Reason Mobley" as living in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, at that time, and another "Reason Mobley" as living in Ann Arundel County, Maryland. They may have been relatives of John Mobley who named his son "Reason D. Mobley."
10. Catherine Minerva (born November 15, 1833, died March 16, 1906).
11. William (born August 29, 1835, died January 7, 1865).
12. Warren Wesley, (born January 8, 1838, died February 9, 1907).

Lewis Mobley, as noted above, married Julia Anna Rhorer who traces her ancestry back through the Dillmans and the Rhorers. The Dillmans fled from Prussia to America in about 1725 for religious freedom of worship. (See accompanying story of Dillman-Rhorer Families). To Lewis and Julia Anna Mobley were born the children listed above, the eldest being Darius Arrelian Mobley, who was born at Hartsville, Indiana, on April 2, 1855. He was married to Harriet Ann Hessey on May 18, 1876, and to them the following children were born: Gertrude Iris (born February 4, 1877); Mary Catherine (Lota) (born October 18, 1878), Blanche Julia (born December 5, 1879), Harriet Ethel (born July 28, 1881), William Lewis (born August 6, 1882, died August 27, 1904), Philo Darius (born May 22, 1885), Hadassah Belle (born December 20, 1886), Edith K. (born September 1, 1889), and Harry S. (James) (born April 5, 1894).

Darius A. Mobley married a second time on July 6, 1899, his second wife being Mabel F. Barrows (born November 6, 1865). To them was born a daughter, Rosamond Ruth (September 15, 1901).

Biographical Sketch of Rev. Darius A. Mobley

Darius Arrelian Mobley was born in Hartsville, Indiana, on the 2nd day of April, 1855. He was the first son of Lewis and Julia Anna Mobley, English by his father and German on the side of his mother. Lewis Mobley, the father, is said to have been a direct descendant from William Mobley who came to America with William Penn in 1692, settling in Pennsylvania, although, as stated in the preceding pages, this claim has not been substantiated. Julia Anna Mobley, the mother, traces her ancestry through the Dillmans and Rhorers back to about 1725 when the Dillmans fled from Prussia to America for religious freedom of worship.

Darius A. Mobley grew up in a strict religious home in which family worship, and the study of the Bible, were the daily practice. At the early age of seven years he professed his faith in Christ and united with the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, of which his parents were devout members.

Hartsville was the seat of a college founded and for a half century and more controlled by the joint authority of the Indiana and the White River Conferences of the United Brethren people. Lewis Mobley was a teacher in the college until after young Mobley attained his majority. The youth was raised in the atmosphere of a Christian college and was graduated from Hartsville College in 1875 with the degree of A. B. His A. M. degree followed four years later. He was given the honorable degree of Doctor of Divinity by the same institution in 1887.

While in college he was active in musical circles, debating teams, and athletics, and was editor of one of the college papers.

On May 18, 1876 he married Harriet Ann Hessey, a ward of ex-Bishop Daniel Shuck, by whom he had nine children. In September 1877 he entered Union Biblical Seminary, later chartered as the Bonebrake Seminary, in Dayton, Ohio. After his graduation in this institution he was called to Woodbridge, California to establish a school under the control of the United Brethren Church. The school was opened in September, 1879, and was chartered as a college, in 1884-1885, with five departments. He served as head of that institution until the spring of 1890, when he resigned to enter the active ministry of the denomination in Pennsylvania, but his wife was taken with a serious illness, and he entered the city school department of Stockton, California, serving as principal of the high school of that city until April, 1903, when he was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of Fowler. Here between 1903 and 1907 he built up the membership from 125 members to the second largest membership in the Presbytery of Stockton.

On October 15, 1907, he resigned the Fowler pastorate to accept the pastorate of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, which he served until August, 1910, resigning to become the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Vallejo. In July, 1899, he was married to Mabel F. Barrows by whom he had one child, a daughter, Rosamond. During his ministry he was active in missionary propaganda, having served on the Home Mission Committees of Stockton, San Francisco, and Benicia Presbyteries, and having been chairman of the committee in the Stockton and the Benicia Presbyteries.

He was licensed to preach the gospel by the United Brethren Church on October 30, 1875. He served in that church until April 14, 1894, when he united with the Presbyterian Church. His ministerial labors were in the Presbyteries of Stockton (San Joaquin), San Francisco, and Benicia, in each of which he held positions of trust and responsibility. In October 1917 he was elected Vice-Moderator of the Synod of California, serving under the Moderatorship of Rev. Edward K. Strong.

Thrice was he a Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church U. S. A. -- in 1905 from the Presbytery of San Joaquin, in 1911 and in 1920 from the Presbytery of Benicia.

Rev. Darius A. Mobley died at Vallejo, California, on December 10, 1929.

Descendants of Darius A. Mobley

Gertrude Iris Mobley married Bertram Samuel Kellenberger (born April 10, 1874 in Indiana) at Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 26, 1900, and to them the following children were born: Mary Ethel (born July 12, 1901), Raymond (born July 10, 1902, died July 10, 1902), Marjorie B. (born March 21, 1906), Julia Blanche (born August (?) 1903, died September (?) 1904), Edgar E. (born May 28, 1908), Iris Gertrude (born March 6, 1910), Bertram S. (born January 12, 1912), Darius Abner (born December 22, 1915), and Harry Pershing (born July 12, 1918). Mary Ethel Kellenberger married Moses M. Woodfin at Vallejo, California, on April 10, 1925. Iris Gertrude Kellenberger married Fred Morrelli Jr., at Fowler, California, on October 10, 1930, and to them a daughter, Jeanette Iris Morrelli was born at Chico on July 20, 1931.

Mary Catherine (Lota) Mobley married Fayette Mitcheltree on June 27, 1901.

Blanche Julia Mobley married Ira Brown Cross on July 14, 1911 at Vallejo, California, and to them two children were born: Ira Brown, Jr., (born September 9, 1912) and Carleton Parker (born August 30, 1919).

Harriet Ethel Mobley married Leslie F. Giffen on February 25, 1904, and to them the following children were born: Gertrude (May 23, 1906), Dorothy (November 20, 1907), Elizabeth (August 7, 1909), and Barbara (born January 12, 1914, died May 22, 1915).

Philo Darius Mobley married Gertrude Covey on February 24, 1913, and to them a son, William Philo, was born on June 18, 1914.

Hadassah Belle Mobley married Hugh Alexander McKenzie on June 15, 1911, and to them three children were born: Hugh Douglas (October 7, 1913), Edith Mobley (May 26, 1915), and Janet, (May 18, 1919).

Harry S. Mobley married Cecilia Schneider on July 7, 1929.

Rosamond Ruth Mobley married Archie M. Macdonnell on June 16, 1928 at Vallejo, California, and to them a daughter, Sylvia Jean, was born January 23, 1931.

The Hessey Family

More than 200 years ago, a young man by the name of Hessey married the daughter of a Mr. McMeahan, a wealthy landlord of Waterford, Ireland. The latter objected to the marriage, and the young couple migrated to Virginia. It is not known how many children were born to this union, but to one of their sons, name unknown, were born the following sons: 1, William, 2, Edward, and 3, Thomas.

1. William Hessey settled in Kentucky and was the father of Rebecca Hessey and William Hessey, Jr. William Hessey, died near New Orleans from yellow fever while taking a boat-load of cattle down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. The family never located his grave. He died a short time before the birth of his son, William Hessey, Jr., who was born in Indiana on October 8, 1821. Rebecca Hessey married a man by the name of McGee. To Rebecca Hessey McGee and her husband were born two children, Martha and Samuel. The family line of William Hessey, Jr., is given below.

2. Edward Hessey settled in Mt. Washington, Kentucky, and married Katherine Shuwalter (spelling in doubt). No children were born to them.

3. Thomas Hessey married Elizabeth Foulk, and settled in McKinsburg, Virginia, the name of which place was later changed to Shepherdstown. To them were born the following children: Margaret, James, Edward, Elizabeth, Richard, Ellen, and Frances.

Descendants of William Hessey, Jr.

William Hessey, Jr., was born in Indiana, October 8, 1821, and died December 4, 1888 at Danville, Illinois. He was thrice married. On September 1, 1842 he married Dicy Bailey (born November 12, 1823, died....), and to them two children were born: Sarah C. (born August 7, 1843, died October (?) 1899), and Wm. Edward (born October 30, 1844, died.....). Sarah C. Hessey married Corydon A. Heath and to them a son, William, was born. William Edward Hessey married Mary E. Peters (born....., died.....) on November 12, 1868, and to them a daughter, Clara, was born (born....., died March 14, 1916).

William Hessey Jr., was married to Catherine Ann Cannady (his second wife) on November 26, 1848. Catherine Ann Cannady was born March 5, 1824, and died November 20, 1857. Her mother, Elizabeth Cannady, died April 17, 1872. To William Hessey, Jr., and Catherine Ann Cannady were born the following children: Mary Elizabeth (born May 27, 1850); Laura Belle (born July 19, 1851, died January 18, 1912), James Henry (born April 1, 1853, died March 11, 1869), infant son (born 1854, died at four days); Cordelia Frances (born November 24, 1855), and Harriet Anne (born November 7, 1857, died January 30, 1895).

Mary Elizabeth Hessey was married to Thomas C. Forbes on January 29, 1874; and to them two daughters were born: Cordelia Katharine (born January 8, 1876, at Danville, Illinois, died May 5, 1911) and Caroline Chester (born February 4, 1879, at Danville, Illinois, died December 27, 1929). Mary Elizabeth Forbes married a second time, her second husband being Joseph G. English. There were no children from this union.

Cordelia Frances Hessey married Seth W. Denney (born December 13, 1852, died January 26, 1907) on January 25, 1877, and to them the following children were born: Katherine Hessey (born December 27, 1877 at Danville, Illinois), Mary Rosemond (born April 18, 1879; at Danville, Illinois, died February 25, 1912), Donald Winslow (born August 6, 1892 at Evansville, Indiana), and Preston Moore (born May 17, 1894 at Evansville, Indiana). Mary Rosemond Denney married Louis Philip Kestner on June 18, 1907 at Evansville, Indiana. Donald Winslow Denney married Lois Ellis on September 17, 1918 at Atlanta, Georgia, and to them a son, Donald Winslow Denney, Jr., was born on October 11, 1926 at Atlanta, Georgia. Preston Moore Denney married Elinor Pryor Cormick on September 12, 1923 at Evansville, Indiana, and to them a daughter, Virginia Sarah Denney, was born on July 4, 1925, at Jacksonville, Florida.

Harriet Anne Hessey married Darius Arrelian Mobley on May 18, 1876, and to them were born the children listed in the section devoted to the Mobley Family.

William Hessey was married a third time (June, 1858), his last wife being Elizabeth Cooper Hessey, a cousin (the daughter of Thomas Hessey), who was born in 1829, and died on October 14, 1922. To this union were born two daughters: Ella Daniels (born May 29, 1859, died in 1865), and Frances LaRose (born December 9, 1861). Frances LaRose Hessey married Daniel W. Voorhees (died May 7, 1923) on September 14, 1887, and to them three children were born: Julia (born August 7, 1888), Corrinne (born January 23, 1890), and Daniel W. Jr., (born February 13, 1892). Julia Voorhees married James Johnson and to them were born two children: Stephen and James, Jr. Corrinne Voorhees married Poeto Wheeler and to them were born two children, Poeto, Jr., and Josephine. Daniel W. Voorhees, Jr., married Marguerite Allen, and to them were born three children: Elizabeth Jane, Daniel W. III, and William.

The Dillman-Rhorer Families

Between 1725 and 1730 two brothers, Andrew Dillman and Jacob Dillman, migrated from Prussia, Germany, to the American colonies. They were Dunkers or Dunkards, and came to the colonies to enjoy religious freedom. Andrew Dillman settled in what is now Adams County, Pennsylvania, and Jacob Dillman settled in Franklin County, Virginia, (the Shenandoah Valley).

Andrew Dillman (died about 1813) had seven sons, but we have record of the names of only three. viz., Conrad, George, and Andrew, Jr. No effort has been made to trace the descendants of Jacob Dillman.

Andrew Dillman, Jr., was born October 21, 1751 in the city of Northumberland, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, and died May 21, 1823. He was a wheelwright by trade. He enlisted as a private in the 2nd Pennsylvania Regiment, Continental Line, under Captain Lewis Farmer, either on April 11, 1776, or on June 1, 1776, both dates being given in the official Pennsylvania Archives. On September 9, 1778, he was a private in Lieutenant Colonel Henry Miller's Company, and in 1780 he was a private in Captain Lieutenant John Stoy's Company, 2nd Pennsylvania (Colonel Walter Stewart) Regiment. From 1790 to 1800 he was a captain in the Pennsylvania Militia, Pennsylvania Valley Battalion. On August 1, 1777, he married Barbara Roush, who was then in her eighteenth year, having been born on December 17, 1759, (died November 17, 1842). Andrew Dillman returned to the battlefield the morning following his marriage. He was in the battles of Brandywine, Burgoyne, Germantown, Monmouth, and Yorktown, serving until the surrender of Cornwallis.

In 1794 or 1795 he moved to Kentucky by way of Pittsburgh, traveling down the Ohio River to Limestone (later called Maysville), Mason County, in a flat boat. He settled in what is now Bracken County, Kentucky.

To Andrew Dillman, Jr., and Barbara Roush Dillman the following children were born: first child, died in infancy; Eve, born in 1779; George, born in March, 1781; John, born in March (or November), 1783; Susan, born May 29, 1785; Barbary, born February 2, 1787; Frederick, born November 14, 1788; Andrew, born November 7, 1790; Julia, born October 15, 1791; Catherine, born December 22, 1792; Elizabeth, born December 18, 1795; Conrad, born October 29, 1798; and Samuel, born in 1800.

About the time that Andrew Dillman, Jr., moved to Bracken County, Kentucky, the Rhorers, Bruners, Housers, and many other German Dunkard families moved from Maryland to Jessamine County, Kentucky, which was about eighty miles south of Bracken County. The families had been acquainted with each other in eastern communities. The Hoover family, some of whom were preachers, settled in Clermont County, Ohio, across the Ohio River and about twenty miles farther down the river from the Dillmans. During the yearly camp meetings of the Dunkards, which were held in Clermont County, Ohio, the Rhorers, Housers, and Bruners all attended, making the trip on horseback. The home of Andrew and Barbara Dillman was one of the stopping places on the way, where the travelers put up during the night as they went to and came from the camp meetings. The children of the various families intermingled, and as a result nine of the sons and daughters of Andrew and Barbara Dillman married sons and daughters of the Dunkard families of Jessamine County, Kentucky.

Frederick Dillman married Mary Boman.
 Andrew Dillman III married Elizabeth Bruner
 Julia Dillman married Henry Bruner.
 Elizabeth Dillman married David Houser.
 Conrad Dillman married Lydia Reed.
 George Dillman married Mary Rhorer.
 John Dillman married Lydia Rhorer.
 Catherine Dillman married Samuel Rhorer.
 Barbary Dillman married John Rhorer.

I have data relative to all of the Dillman children, their marriages, deaths, etc., but have seen fit to include in this sketch only those relating to Barbary Dillman.

John Rhorer was born February 27, 1786, and died May 14 or 17, 1869. Barbary Dillman Rhorer was born February 2, 1787, and died February 1 or 18, 1858. They were married in 1808, and at first resided in Clermont County, Ohio, where all of their children were born. Later they moved to Decatur County, Indiana, where both died.

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I have been unable to find any records dealing with the ancestry of John Rhorer. The name Rhorer appears frequently in the records of Pennsylvania. Johannes Rhorer and Johan Gottfried Rhorer arrived in Pennsylvania on the ship Robert and Oliver of Dublin, sailing from Rotterdam, and landing in American on September 11, 1738. (Rupp, Thirty Thousand Names of Immigrants, pp. 118, 119). Friedrich Rhorer arrived on October 9, 1747 from Rotterdam on the ship Restauration. (Ibid, p. 177). G. Friedrich Rhorer arrived on October 21, 1761, from Rotterdam in the ship Snow Squirrel. (Ibid, p. 352.) Friederich, Jacob, and John Rhorer are mentioned in the Pennsylvania Archives (Vol. 26, pp. 496, 656, Vol. 23, p. 355, and Vol. 25, p. 287, respectively). I do not know whether or not any of these early immigrants were ancestors of John Rhorer, but the frequent use of the name John, Johan, and Johannes makes it appear likely that such might have been the case.

To John Rhorer and Barbary Dillman Rhorer were born the following children: Martin, born May 17, 1809; Mary Gray (Polly) born August 18, 1810; Elizabeth, born March 3 or 7, 1812, died January 5, 1831, and married a Davis; Magdaline, born September 3, 1813, died August 4, 1845; Andrew, born September 26, 1815, died August 24, 1853; John, born June 21, 1817; Salome, born April 20, 1819, died February 10, 1859, and married a Case; Susanna, born March 1, 1821, died July 26, 1882, and married a Daily; Jemima, born January 2, 1823, died January 27, 1859, and married a Brinkley; Barbara Ann, born January 22, 1825, died February 25, 1875, and married a Smith; Simeon, born April 3, 1827, died July 28, 1902; Simon Peter, born September 14, 1829, died September 19, 1852; and Julia Ann Rhorer, born June 19, 1832, died May 31, 1911, who married Lewis Mobley.

To Lewis Mobley and Julia Ann Rhorer Mobley, nine children were born, as listed on the accompanying sheets dealing with the story of the Mobley Family.
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